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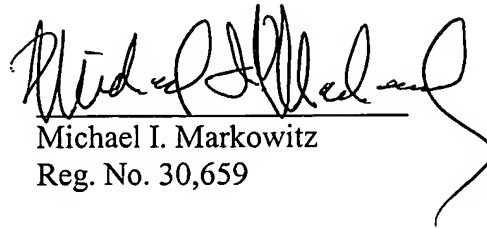
**ELECTION**

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 8, 2004, the period for responding thereto having been set to expire after July 8, 2004, Applicant hereby elects Species II, claims 22-31, for prosecution at this time. Applicant reserves the right to file continuing application(s) based on claims 1-13. Early examination on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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